

KINGSCLERE & WHITCHURCH RURAL DISTRICT.

Interim Report to December, 1941.

On the Ministry of Health's instruction actual figures are not to be given a full report being due at the end of hostilities.

The following statistics are given per 1,000 of population,

Birth-rate 13.3 legitimate total 14.1. compares with all England.

.8 illegitimate, average of 14.2.

Stillbirths 33.4 about average.

Death-rate 11.9 compares with average of 12.9

Maternal Deaths due to childbirth 3.7 per 1,000 births - very low.

" " " cancer 1.4 - lower than average.

" " " diseases of heart and bloodvessels 5.1 - average

Laboratory facilities have been increased by the provision of the Emergency Public Health Laboratory at Winchester under the Ministry's Regional Scheme.

The Birthrate has shown the usual rise due to War conditions common to the whole Country from 13.2 last year to 14.1.

The Deathrate is slightly raised 11.9 as against 10.3 last year, again common to the whole Country and as is usual with a Rural Area the local deathrate is below the Country's average.

WATER SUPPLIES.

No change. Ashmansworth extension is still under consideration as an urgent war-time measure.

